

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as follows:

Claims 1-40 (Canceled).

Claim 41 (Currently Amended): Illumination arrangement according to claim [[40]]
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[[-]] wherein said light integrating device[[(50)]] is or comprises a plain light pipe
[[-]] in particular a solid integration rod-having a light incidence aperture[[(50I)]] and
a side wall[[(50s)]],

[[-]] wherein said side wall[[(50s)]] of said light integrated device[[(50)]] is provided
with a reflecting means[[(50m)]] as said light coupling and/or guiding improving
arrangement[[(50a)]] or as a part thereof at its outer periphery at least in a neighborhood of
said light incidence aperture[[(50I)]], and

[[-]] wherein said reflecting means[[(50m)]] is adapted and/or arrangement so as to
reflect light escaping from said light integrating device[[(50)]] through the side wall[[(50s)]]
thereof back into said light integrating device[[(50)]].

Claim 42 (Currently Amended): Illumination arrangement according to claim [[40]]
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[[-]] wherein said light integrating device[[(50)]] is or comprises a plain light pipe -
in particular a solid integration rod-having a light incidence aperture[[(50I)]],

[[-]] wherein said light incidence aperture[[(50I)]] of said light integrating device
[[(50)]] is positioned in a neighborhood of a light exit aperture[[(30E)]] of said light source
device[[(10)]] and/or of said light mixing devices ~~(44', 64', 65')~~ and

[[-]] wherein between said light incidence aperture[[(50I)]] of said light integrating device[[(50)]] and said light exit aperture[[(30E)]] of said light source device[[(10)]] and/or of said light mixing devices (44', 64', 65') refraction index matching means[[(50r)]] is or are provided, in particular filling a gap or a gap structure[[(G, G')]] between said light incidence aperture[[(50I)]] of said light integrating device[[(50)]] and said light exit aperture[[(30E)]] of said light source device[[(10)]] and/or of said light mixing devices (44', 64', 65').

Claim 43 (Currently Amended): Illumination arrangement according to claim 42, wherein said refraction index matching means[[(50r)]] is a liquid, gel, and/or a glue.

Claim 44 (Currently Amended): Illumination arrangement according to claim 42, wherein said refraction index matching means[[(50r)]] has a refraction index which essentially coincides with the refraction index of the material of said light integration device[[(50)]] or with the refraction index of the material of the light source devices periphery[[... interpolates]] changes between these refraction indices.

Claim 45 (Currently Amended): Illumination arrangement according to claim [[40]]
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[[-]] wherein said light integration device[[(50)]] is or comprises a hollow light pipe having a light incidence aperture[[(50I)],

[[-]] wherein said light incidence aperture[[(50I)]] of said light integrating device[[(50)]] is positioned in a neighborhood of a light exit aperture[[(30E)]] of said light source device[[(10)]] and/or of said light mixing devices (44', 64', 65') and

[[-]] wherein a second or end section in the neighborhood of said light incidence aperture[[(50I)]] and/or being terminated by said light incidence aperture[[(50I)]] is-in

particular completely-filled with a plain light pipe section[[(50p)]], in particular for matching the respective refraction indices.

Claim 46 (New): An illumination arrangement, comprising:

a solid state light source;

a light collecting, integrating and re-directing device configured to receive at least a part of emitted light from said solid state light source and to redirect said received light; and

a light coupling mechanism configured to improve coupling efficiency of said emitted light from said solid state light source to said light collecting, integrating and redirecting device.

Claim 47 (New): An illumination arrangement, comprising:

a solid state light source;

a light collecting, integrating and redirecting device configured to receive at least a part of emitted light from said solid state light source and to redirect said received light; and

a light coupling means for improving coupling efficiency of said emitted light from said solid state light source to said light collecting, integrating and redirecting device.